




## **Russian Defence Ministry report on the progress of the special military operation in Ukraine**


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### **Russian Federation Armed Forces continue the special military operation.**

 **In Kupyansk direction**, preemptive fire from artillery, heavy rocket launchers and strikes by the army aviation thwarted an attempt by the enemy to attack Russian troops towards Sophiyevka (Lugansk People's Republic). Up to **35** Ukrainian servicemen, **1** armoured fighting vehicle and **3** pick-up trucks have been eliminated.

 **In Krasniy-Liman direction**, an attempt by four AFU attack groups to counterattack towards Ploshchanka, Golikovo and Kremennaya (Lugansk People's Republic) has been foiled as a result of strikes by army aircraft and artillery fire. More than **40** Ukrainian servicemen, **1** infantry fighting vehicle and **3** armoured vehicles have been eliminated.

 **In Donetsk direction**, Russian troops continue their offensive, which has resulted in taking over new advantageous lines and positions. The enemy made unsuccessful attempts to restore the position of its troops near Severnoye and Krasnogorovka (Donetsk People's Republic). All counter-attacks by the AFU have been repelled. The enemy's losses in this direction amounted up to **30** Ukrainian servicemen killed and wounded, **1** armoured personnel carrier and **2** motor vehicles.

 **In South Donetsk direction**, air strikes and artillery fire have neutralised enemy reserves near Dobrovolye (Donetsk People's Republic). In addition, two AFU sabotage and reconnaissance groups have been detected and destroyed near Pavlovka (Donetsk People's Republic). AFU losses amounted up to **40** servicemen killed and wounded and **4** motor vehicles.

 **Missile troops and artillery units** have neutralised command posts of units of the AFU **92nd Independent Mechanised Brigade** near Petropavlovka and the **105th Brigade of Territorial Defence** near Sinkovka (Kharkov region), as well as **45** AFU artillery units at firing positions, manpower and military equipment in **86** areas.

💣 One AFU **munition depot** has been destroyed near Kupyansk (Kharkov region).

💣 One AFU **warehouse of weapons**, military and special equipment has been destroyed near Tyaginka (Kherson region).

💣 One AFU **warehouse of materiel means** has been destroyed near Orekhov (Zaporozhye region).

💣 One **US-made AN/TPQ-37 counter-battery radar station** has been destroyed near Kleshchevka (Donetsk People's Republic).

■ The Russian Air Force's fighter aircraft have shot down an AFU **MiG-29** aircraft near Yablonovka. One AFU **Mi-8** helicopter has been shot down near Nikolayevka (Donetsk People's Republic).

💣 Air defence forces have destroyed **11** AFU **unmanned aerial vehicles** near Stepnoye, Novoandreyevka, Volnoye, Nikolskoye (Donetsk People's Republic), Sadovoye and Semyonovka (Zaporozhye region).

■ In addition, two **Uragan multiple-launch rocket system missiles** have been intercepted near Novogorovka (Zaporozhye region).

**In total, 344** airplanes and **184** helicopters, **2,669** unmanned aerial vehicles, **396** air defence missile systems, **7,127** tanks and other armoured fighting vehicles, **931** fighting vehicles equipped with MLRS, **3,685** field artillery cannons and mortars, as well as **7,614** units of special military hardware have been destroyed during the special military operation.

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💣 **One AFU column** of reserves has been hit by gunfire near. In addition, **five** enemy sabotage and reconnaissance groups have been destroyed.

💣 **One AFU warehouse** of missile and artillery weapons has been destroyed.

📺 **Footage** of combat actions of Tor-M2U SAM, Su-25 attack aircraft, Tu-95m long-range strategic missile carrier, Giatsint-B towed howitzer, **Aistyonok radar complex** within the special military operation.

🪖 Mobilised personnel and volunteers continue their training in Belarus.